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15. (Amended) A method according to claim 76, wherein the first DNA polymerase is selected from the group consisting of *Pyrococcus furiosus* DNA polymerase, Vent polymerase, and Deep Vent polymerase.

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35. (Twice Amended) A method of amplifying a polynucleotide sequence, said method comprising mixing a composition with a synthesis primer and a synthesis template, said composition comprising

- (a) a first QNA polymerase possessing 3'-5' exonuclease activity, and
- (b) a second DNA polymerase, wherein said second polymerase substantially lacks 3'-5' exonuclease activity.

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(Twice Amended) A method of synthesizing a polynucleotide sequence, said method comprising mixing a composition with a synthesis primer and a synthesis template, said composition comprising

- (a) a first NA polymerase possessing 3'-5' exonuclease activity, and
- (b) a second DNA polymerase, wherein said second polymerase substantially lacks 3'-5' exonuclease activity.

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